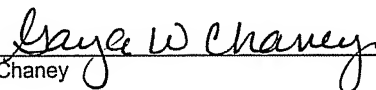


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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated September 3, having a term for response without extension by December 3, 2008. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Remarks.